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FOR AMERICA.

Agreement for Sale of The Danish
West Indies is Report-
ed Reached.

Price to be Paid by The United
States Said to be Between
\$4,000,000 and \$5,-
000,000.

Copenhagen, Dec. 2.—A full agree-
ment has been reached between
Denmark and the United States for
sale of the Danish West Indies. The
treaty will probably be signed this
week at Washington. The price
fixed is between \$4,000,000 and \$5,-
000,000.

The questions of free trade and
citizenship will be decided by Con-
gress, which, it is believed here,
will grant these concessions.

HANDSOME PRIZES

To Be Awarded Successful Con-
testants at Madisonville.

An Old Fiddlers' Contest will be
held in the Tabernacle at Madison-
ville on next Friday night, Decem-
ber 13.

Among the contests in the pro-
gram are the following: Hopkins
county vs. Christian county; Hop-
kinsville vs. Henderson and White
Plains vs. Hopkinsville.

Handsome prizes will be award-
ed successful contestants. The
entertainment will be given under
the auspices of the Board of Taber-
nacle Managers and the proceeds
will go towards paying the debt on
the building.

BROKE COLLAR BONE.

Painful Accident Befalls Claude
Brasher While Playing.

Master Claude Brasher, son of
Mr. C. A. Brasher, happened to a
serious accident Wednesday. While
playing with some other boys on
the South Kentucky College grounds,
he fell and broke his collar bone.
The fracture was reduced by Dr.
Jackson and the little fellow is get-
ting on nicely. He will be confined
to the house for several days, how-
ever, and this fact will prove very
annoying to Claude.

WILL ELECT OFFICERS.

New Council Will Hold Busi-
ness Session To-Night.

The members of the new city
council qualified Monday night and
after a brief session adjourned until
to-night for the election of officers.
The city officers to be elected will
not enter upon their duties until the
first Tuesday in January. The two
ties in the Democratic conference,
it is understood, will be voted by
Councilman Glass, the Republican
member.

ARRESTED HERE

On Bench Warrant Sent From
Hopkins County.

John Cheaney, of this city, who
was recently indicted at Madison-
ville on a charge of intimidating,
disturbing and injuring miners em-
ployed by the Reinecke Coal Com-
pany, was arrested here Monday
night and taken back to Hopkins
county. He failed to furnish bond
and was placed in jail, along with
several others under indictment for
a similar offense.

NOTHING HEARD

Of the Cause of Sheriff Pollard's
Suicide.

Nothing further has been heard
from the cause of the sensational
suicide of Sheriff N. B. Pollard, at
Cadiz, last Monday. No announce-
ment has been made in regard to
the state of the deceased officer's
accounts.

ALL IS QUIET.

No New Developments at Mad-
isonville.

Everybody Waiting On The
Federal Court's
Action.

Madisonville, Ky., Dec. 5.—The
Southwestern coal mining region
has been exceedingly quiet so far.
An interview with Judge John G.

B. Hall revealed nothing of any im-
portance. The prevailing opinion
of all classes seems to be that every-
thing will rest as it is now until the
Federal injunction case is heard
before Judge Evans, at Louisville,
which is set for to-morrow.

It is also supposed the St. Ber-
nard Coal Company will be on hand
at that time with an injunction to be
heard also, so that the Reinecke
Coal Company gets the permanent
injunction, the injunction of the St.
Bernard Coal Company will come in,
and that Judge Evans will make
the injunction sweeping in its scope.

Wednesday evening Deputy Sheriff
Thomas arrested Joe Coleman, one
more of the leaders of the United
Mine Workers of America. He was
arrested at Nortonville, Ky., and
was released by Judge Hall on
his own recognizance until the trial
of the others, which comes off next
Wednesday. The deputy also said
that there was not more than one
dozen men in the Nortonville camp
today. The other leaders are
making themselves very scarce in
and around Madisonville lately.

SOME SALES.

Of Old Stock This Week—New
Crop Moving.

About 60 hogsheds of tobacco
were disposed of privately this
week. The sales were made up al-
together of old stock, as none of the
new crop has yet been prized for
the market.

Some loose tobacco made its ap-
pearance on the streets here this
week and was sold at satisfactory
prices.

The buyers in the country are
making numerous purchases and
as soon as the weed comes in prop-
er order for handling there will be a
rush in this branch of the business.

WANTED SILVERWARE.

Attempt Made To Rob Mr. Henry
D. Wallace Tuesday Night.

A bold attempt was made Tues-
day night to rob Mr. H. D. Wallace
of silverware. The would-be thief,
who was a white man, appeared in
the hallway and demanded of the
cook that she turn over to him the
family plate. Under pretense of
going to get it, she left the room
and informed Mr. Wallace, who ap-
peared and fired three times at the
fleeing form. The cook described
the man as tall and beardless. He
took to his heels as soon as the col-
ored woman gave the alarm and
when Mr. Wallace appeared.

The Sick List.

Mrs. Geo. E. Gary suffered a re-
lapse yesterday and is again very
ill. She has typhoid fever of a se-
vere type, with other complications.
Mr. Harry M. Bryan, who is sick
with typhoid fever, was slightly im-
proved yesterday, but not by any
means out of danger.

Mr. Jas. H. Anderson and little
daughter, Margaret, are doing
well and it is hoped are on the road
to recovery.

Mrs. Margaret Wormald is quite
ill, but was reported a little better
yesterday.

Herbert Brame who has been
very low with malaria fever is now
able to be up.

Cotton was up twelve points at
the opening on the Liverpool mar-
ket.

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Time to Buy

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And Trimmings. Big line to select from
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The largest and best assorted stock of
Carpets, Rugs, Mattings, Oil Cloths and
Linoleum in the city. Get my prices
before buying.

T. M. Jones.
Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

DARING HOLDUP.

Colored Jesse James Robs a
Merchant Tuesday Night.

Shot and Wounded Him For Be-
ing Slow to Throw Up His
Hands.

Jacob Walker, a young man who
keeps a grocery out near the eastern
limits of the city, was murder-
ously assaulted Tuesday night by
an unknown negro who entered his
store for the purpose of robbery.
It was about 6 o'clock when "Mr.
Walker was alone in his store,
counting up the receipts of the day.
The negro walked in and asked
what he had to eat, but before the
merchant could reply the intruder
leveled a revolver at him and said:
"Hold up your hands."

As Walker did not do so, the robber
fired at him, the bullet entering
his left shoulder. Mr. Walker ran
from the store and into his dwelling
adjoining it and the negro ran
behind the counter, snatched \$35 from
the cash drawer and disappeared
outside in the darkness.

Mr. Walker's wound was found
not to be very serious. He fur-
nished the officers a description of
the robber, but he has not yet been
captured and has probably made
good his escape. One arrest was
made, but it proved not to be the
man Mr. Walker says he can identify
the robber, as he observed him
closely.

SUES FOR DAMAGES.

Asks \$1,000 of Three South Chris-
tian Business Men.

Charles Richardson, col., of the
Lafayette neighborhood, has filed
suit against Messrs. Joseph Beaz-
ley and H. C. Locker, of Lafayette,
and O. J. Nimmo, of Herndon, for
\$1,000 damages, alleging malicious
prosecution.

The plaintiff states in his petition
that the defendants appeared be-
fore the grand jury at the June
term of court and accused him of
fraudulently selling tobacco to
Nimmo, on which Beazley and
Locker held a mortgage.

As a result of the evidence se-
cured, Richardson alleges that he
was indicted, arrested and lodged
in jail where he remained five days
before he could give bond and be
released. At the September term
of court, Richardson's case was in-
vestigated, when the indictment
was dismissed and the case drop-
ped. The plaintiff claims it was
his own tobacco he sold Nimmo and
that he is entitled to damages in
the sum above stated.

COURT SCANDAL.

Husband Of Queen Wilhelmina
a High Roller.

Fights Two Duels When Called
to Account For His
Brutality.

Amsterdam, Dec. 4.—In spite of
official denials, investigations show
there is substantial foundation of a
story of a duel being fought be-
tween Prince Henry, of The Nether-
lands, husband of Queen Wilhelm-
ina, and Major Van Tets, the Queen's
aide-de-camp.

It appears that at a dinner at
Helleo the young Queen was first
by some inattention on the part of
the Prince, and spoke to him sharp-
ly. Prince Henry retorted offen-
sively, whereupon Major Van Tets
made a remark regarding the im-
propriety of the Prince's conduct.

A quarrel followed between the
aide-de-camp and the prince, who
had been drinking freely. And a
duel with swords was fought after
dinner. Van Tets was wounded,
he has since been removed to
Helleo to be operated upon.

The same incident gave
another duel between Prin-
ce and a gentleman of the court,
latter was slightly wounded.

The outrageous conduct
Henry has become quite
famous for his rough and ready
manner, he has been known to
commence a fight with a man
money to settle his mounting
debts, and continued until his life
was endangered by premature
childbirth.

COUNTY COURT OFF.

Three Appointments Made by
County Judge This Week.

The County Judge appointed
three road overseers this week.
They are as follows: W. C. Stevens
for the Princeton road from John
Wood's to Cain's grocery; Wash-
Davis for Johnson Mill road from
W. R. Overton to the farm; and
Andrew Brown for the Be-
ternick road from Bryant's Hill
to the Princeton road.

Buried Near Longview.

Eliza Leavelle, col., died at her
home on Durrett's Avenue Monday.
She was 73 years old. The re-
mains were interred near Longview
Tuesday.

Patent Granted.

Wesley Brown, of Spring
Ky., has secured a patent on a burg-
lar alarm.

Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

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The deaths resulting from football this season now number 13 with several games to hear from.

The nomination of Geo. W. Leiberth, to be collector at Covington, Ky., after being hung up for a week, finally went through all right.

The 57th Congress convened Monday to a very long message Tuesday. Over 3,000 new bills have already been offered in the House.

Frank Jay Gould was this week married to Miss Helen Margaret Kelly, and they are crossing the Atlantic in a private yacht that is a piece of water.

John Feland was one of the Republicans who claimed that Gov. Goebel had not have made a contest, but John has changed his views since then.

John Feland, N. Y., killed herself because she didn't like her name. It is strange this idea, did not strike her as an anti-matrimonial objection.

The late St. Bernard Coal Company is now the St. Bernard Mining Co., incorporated under the laws of Delaware. The new company has already asked for federal protection.

Under date of Dec. 4, the State department has been informed that Miss Stone is still alive and held prisoner at a place called Gutierrez. She has not yet been forced to marry a brigand.

Representative Henry, of Texas, has introduced a bill making it mandatory on Governors to surrender fugitives from justice from other states. This would prevent Indiana Governors from harboring Kentucky assassins and conspirators.

The Princess of the Asturias, sister of the King of Spain, who was married to Prince Charles of Bourbon last February, is the mother of a prince, whose advent created such a commotion that Premier Sagasta carried him around on a silver tray and presented him to the dignitaries.

Latham, Alexander & Co., of New York, whose annual cotton reports are accepted as thoroughly reliable, estimate the crop of 1901 at 7,733,000 bales, as against 10,383,000 last year. Their comments are as follows:

"Our correspondents generally report that the weather throughout the fall has been exceptionally favorable for gathering and moving the crop, and that it has been marketed very freely. This crop cost more than usual to make, which fact enforced early and prompt sales. It has been gathered earlier than in any previous season, and has not been held back.

The top crop is a total failure. All say the plant took on new fruit, but it will not add to the crop, as it was caught by the cold weather, and will never open.

"There is frequent mention of the bales being much lighter than usual."

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By a divided Court, the Philippines are held to be domestic property, not subject to tariff taxation under the Dingley bill. The Court decided two important cases, the "Fourteen Diamond Rings" case and the Dooley case, No. 2. In the first case the majority opinion, handed down by Chief Justice Fuller, holds that since the signing of the treaty of Paris, the Philippines have been United States property, and belonging to this country, are domestic and not foreign territory. The fact that war exists in some of the islands does not, by saying affect the United States' title to the property, as it is not a war of conquest by this country but of rebellion by the natives against the ownership of the property by the United States. The opinion holds that the collection of customs duties on goods brought into this country from the islands, or vice versa, is irregular. In the Dooley case the majority opinion, handed down by Justice Brown, holds that the collection of duties on goods shipped from the United States to Porto Rico is permissible on the ground that the duties are collected as imports into the island, and not as exports from the United States. It holds further that the money so collected must, by act of Congress, be held apart from the general funds of the islands as a special fund to be expended in bettering public conditions there. The opinion says the Porto Rican Legislature can at any time so change this law as to abolish the import duties.

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The Concert at Hotel Latham A Distinct Success.

A charming affair was that of Wednesday evening where the ladies of the Ninth Street Presbyterian and Episcopal churches united in giving a concert at Hotel Latham. A fashionable and enthusiastic audience was present hearing a program given by artists that Hopkinsville people have seldom had the pleasure of hearing equalled.

Mrs. Jacobus gave several delightful numbers and was greeted with the enthusiasm that becoming always creates. Mrs. Jacobus has won with her charming personality and beautiful voice a very tender spot in the hearts of Hopkinsville people and she still retains the reputation of the artist that she is.

Mr. Smith made his first appearance here, but the audience recognized and received the genius at once, for his equal is seldom heard. Mr. Smith is a composer of considerable merit, his "Dance of the Witches," receiving more warm applause than any similar hitherto has. "To Tassie, Good-bye," was a beautiful thing, delighting his audience in the extreme.

Miss Snow was the piano soloist and accompanist of the evening and pleased her audience beyond measure. She is a brilliant artist and to her a great part of the success of the evening is due. The audience regretted very much that she was too indisposed to be able to play her last number. The artists that appeared here with Mr. Justice Halcher whose lovely tenor voice so pleased his audience here last winter have formed a concert company and will soon start on a tour.

Hopkinsville is on their list and all of our people should avail themselves of the opportunity to hear this collection of stars who will give a programme we can feel assured that is seldom equalled in any city.

Clara Halcher, col. aged about 60 years, died at her home on Dur-

BENNETTSTOWN DRILLS.

News Notes From South Christian Chronicked by "Hamlet."

Bennettstown, Ky., Dec. 2.—The farmers have been busy killing hogs for some time.

Mr. John N. Pattillo is very sick at this writing.

Misses Della Adcock, of Church Hill, and Verna Southall, of Hopkinsville, have returned home after pleasant visit to Miss Lula Dickerson.

Quite a number of persons here are buying heaters to use in their homes this winter, as it takes so much less fuel and warms the room much better too.

There was a "tacky party" given at the home of Mr. J. T. Coleman last Thursday night that was very enjoyable. Misses Alice Coleman and Queenie Moss were the hostess.

The two Sunday schools at this place will give a Christmas tree at McKenzie Kirk on Tuesday night, the 24th inst. There will be recitations and songs. Miss Mollie Brown Stevenson will deliver the welcoming address.

Robert Southall, a son of Dr. J. A. Southall, of Pee Dee, and Miss Gertie Wall, daughter of Mr. J. B. Wall, of this place, eloped to Tennessee last Wednesday and were married. The groom is 16 and the bride 19 years old. May good luck attend them.

LaFAYETTE NEWS.

More Stock Dies From Eating Smut Stalks.

LaFayette, Ky., Dec. 2.—The meeting, which had been in progress at the Baptist church here the past two weeks, closed Friday night. Rev. Downer of New Providence, Tenn., who assisted the pastor, Rev. Milton Hall, did some splendid preaching.

There were only two additions to the church.

Mr. T. H. Elliott lost eleven head of cattle last week, which had been running in a stalk field.

Mr. J. B. Wall, of Bennettstown, lost one of his match horses last Friday with blind-staggers. He also had a valuable mare which was sick but recovered.

I. C. GETS IT.

Builds The New Railroad in Webster County.

The Illinois Central is reported to have bought the Kentucky Western railroad and its branch road, connecting with the Illinois Central at Blackford, Ky., and extending to Dixon, a distance of about twenty miles. Extensive improvements are to be made. John C. Willing, first vice president of the Illinois Central, is going over the line in his private car making a inspection. The road runs through coal and timber lands in Webster county.

NEW LODGE OF ELKS.

Madisonville Lodge Instituted

With Membership of 33.

Madisonville Lodge of Elks, No. 738 was instituted in the Masonic Hall, with a charter membership of thirty-three, Wednesday night, Elks from Hopkinsville, Henderson and Evansville were present.

A Bad Breath

A bad breath means a bad stomach, a bad digestion, a bad liver. Ayer's Pills are liver pills. They cure constipation, biliousness, dyspepsia, sick headache.

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E. W. SEEGAR & Co.

STOLE REVOLVERS.

Burglars Make a haul on Hardware Store.

The hardware establishment of Mr. Gus Young, on Sixth street, was burglarized a few nights ago and half dozen revolvers were taken. The thieves entered the building by breaking a transom over one of the rear doors. They left no clue.

FORMER PASTOR

Of Universalist Church Will Begin Meeting Here Sunday.

Rev. M. W. Tabor, formerly pastor of the Universalist church here, but now of New York, will begin a meeting in this city Sunday.

The series will continue through out next week and probably longer. Rev. Tabor is holding a meeting

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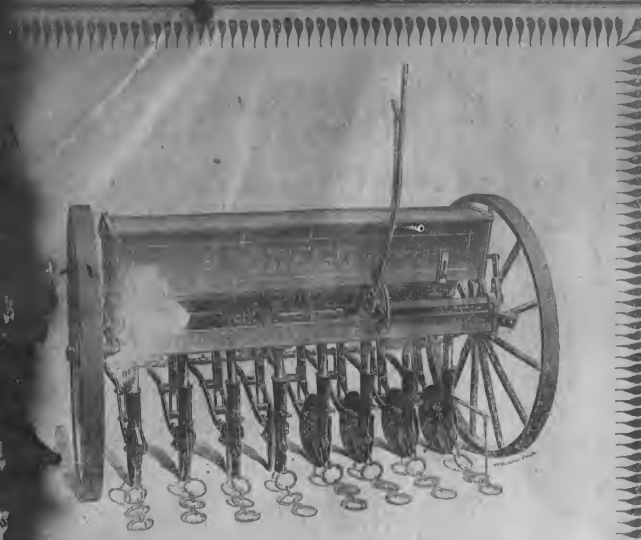
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When I'm on my way to sleep,
In the hall where shadows stray—
Come to you I have ready
The Maid of Yesterday!

In the parlour on the stair,
Still you stand as of old time,
Always waiting, always there,
How I wish you'd speak to me!

Did you care so very much,
When a child of the east,
Drew your face with kisses touch
Drooping so many years to meet?

"Gone" your great hair's drooping
Gone the curls that once were
You are quiet, quiet and true,
Yet you're just a little old!

What, I wonder, was your name?
Whatever suitly, bending low,
Step down, from your golden frame—
Come back from the long ago!

We might be such merry friends—
Could we know each other well,
Flirting till the bright day ends,
Then what stories you could tell!

All about the Good-to-be,
All about the Faraway,
In the twilight of the night,
Little Maid of Yesterday.

—Edith H. Kinney, in Ladies' World, New York

A FUNNY BEAR.

Surrounds Mirandy and Cures Jim's Rheumatism.

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"It'd be a little hard, I take it, to make folks believe some of the things bears up an' does. Uncle Marcus used to say—an' Uncle Marcus, you must say, growed up with bears—that if you wanted folks to believe you when you talked about bears you must be about 'em, fer if you told the truth about 'em they never would believe you. An' that comes as high as the Gospel as you kin get to it. So I don't s'pose folks'll believe this here what I'm goin' to tell 'em as it is true."

"Mirandy she kept along the main road till she got to where the other road forked off, an' then, about 50 yards before the forks, in the middle o' the main road, what should raise up before her but a constin' big bear, an' wave his paw, an' wag his head, an' loll his tongue.

"Mirandy knewed somethin' about bears, an' though she wa'n't born in the woods to be skeert by things, she considered that she wouldn't disturb this bear ly marchin' forward on to it."

"By rights," says Jane, "that pesky bear ought to be hold up in a holler log some's asleep, an' skeekin' its paws," says she, "but as long as he hain't I got somethin' else to do he slides ginn' up an' arguin' with him as to the why an' whereof of his not bein' hold up an' skeekin' his paws," says she, an' she turned to the folks an' roared an' took the long way to Jane's.

"Mirandy had gone mabe a half a mile in on the forkin' road, when she stopped sudden, an' had a notion to git mad. Somethin' like four rod ahead of her in the road stood a bear, an' he growled an' showed his teeth, an' acted somethin' like that she bear, I shouldn't wonder, that come onto the woods that time an' snatched them 10 youngsters haidheaded that had sussed old Father 'Lajah. Mirandy she stood still a minute, looked the bear over, an' backed out.

"Accordin' to the signs," says she, "tho' woods is a little too full o' bear to-day fer me to do that errand at Jane's," says she, an' I s'pose I'll have to go back an' chop that wood, after all, I wouldn't mind that so much," says she, "but I'm jist splin' to know what Artemes was sayin' to Jane 'other day."

"So Mirandy she fared about for home, tremendous disappointed. She come out into the main road an' turned to walk back to the cleerin' when there, right in the road, an' not morn than 50 foot ahead of her, stood another bear, an' it was actu'ly prancin' an' tryin' to out-pigeon wings, like a tipsy fiddler showin' off.

"Now, Jim's wife Mirandy can't stand everything, an' when she see that bear in front of her headin' her off in that direction, she jest open'd her lungs an' turned 'em loose. At the first yelp from Mirandy the bear went around, his eyes flew open an' he stood still. When Mirandy opened up the second time the bear dropped on all fours an' plinted for the woods, Mirandy give another yelp an' the bear sprung morn'n ten foot, an' Mirandy could hear him clashin' away through the brush like a hurricane for a quarter of a mile.

"When the bear had made itself scarce, Mirandy hurried on home, an' slammed into the house so that Jim most jumped outen his cheer.

"I hen surrounded by bears!" says Mirandy. "I hain't only got to traipse my legs off runnin' errands fer you through the snow," says she, "but I've got to be surrounded by bears a doin' of it, an' then come back here an' chop the wood!" says she.

"When Mirandy mentioned bears Jim riz up an' panted. The minute she had finished tellin' him how an' where she had been surrounded by the bears he sprung fer his gun an' the pegs where his gun hung, sprang as a cat.

"Hooray!" he hollers. "I hain't had a crack at a bear fer a coon's age!" he hollers. "Here's fer follerin' the trail an' gatherin' of them critters in!" he hollers.

"An' away Jim went, flyin' outen the door an' down the road. Mirandy she looked after him with starin' eyes till he was out o' sight, an' then she riz her hands an' says:

"Well—I s'wan—to man!"

"That was all she said, but she couldn't seem to keep from grinnin' as she worked around.

"Jim he wasn't long in gittin' onto the trail o' the bears, startin' in where the first one had riz up an' wagged its head at Mirandy. He follered it inter the woods, an' it fetched him out in the forkin' road, right where the second bear had riz up an' growled an' showed its teeth at Mirandy.

"From there the trail led catty-cornered back through the woods an' come out into the main road ag'in, where the third bear had riz up an' growled an' showed its teeth at Mirandy.

into the woods an' tore up the snow as if a steam plow had been run through it.

"Then Jim he jett laid down an' howled an' kicked the snow an' 'noist'usted. Soon as ever he could git his breath he in he hollers:

"Just one rollickin' o' cuss of a bear," he hollers, "an' for fun, an' havin' it with Mirandy!"

"Then Jim gathered himself an' started for home, stoppin' every little spell to laugh an' holler. The went in the house a-laughin', an' droppin' in his cheer he hollers to Mirandy:

"You was surrounded by one bear!" he hollers, an' busts a-laughin' ag'in.

"While he was shakin' with laughin' he happened to turn his head an' look out o' the kinder an' see the woodpile. Quick'n' his wink his laughin' quit, an' he grabbed his leg an' he can to waken an' twist an' groan.

"But now Mirandy she begun to bust a-laughin', an' when Jim he roared her eye he let go his leg, an' he was out on that woodpile makin' the chips fly faster than if he was choppin' an' a coon. He never stopped till he had the wood all chopped off over Sunday.

"Then he come in. Mirandy looked at him an' grinn'd.

"Jim," she says, by an' by, "you won't tell about my leg?" surrounded by one bear an' I won't tell about the way it cured your roomy-tiz," says she.

"It's a bargain, by s'cuse," says Jim.

"But somebody must 'a' told about both of 'em, or how would I knowed it?"—N. Y. Sun.

TEXTILE FIBERS.

Processes Which Have Recently Come Into Practical Operation.

A German doctor, improving on a method patented in France some years ago, has produced from cotton a fiber which in many respects surpasses the material from which it is prepared, and the same may be said of an English process patented in 1897, by which, from a mass of cotton dissolved in certain chemicals, continuous threads may be spun and fibers obtained of any desired length. The fineness and length of the fiber produced, says Chambers' Journal, by either of these processes, are the chief features of improvement, which may possibly induce manufacturers to take them up. The former is already being handled on a large scale on both sides of the channel; and the latter, although as yet scarcely beyond the experimental stage, bids fair to become equally successful.

We hear that even silk—the queen of all fibers—is not secure on her throne. She likewise has many competitors, and that little leopardo son inheritor, the silkworm, is likely soon to be out of work. Of these, one built from certain Mediterranean shores, notably Sicily, where at low tide, from myriads of shellfish which attach themselves to the rocks and larger stones upon the beach, a quantity of very fine and strong fibrous matter not unlike a cat's claw, and similar in appearance to silk, is obtained, and this, when thoroughly washed, dried and combed, is made up into fabrics.

Another fiber which threatens to displace the produce of the silkworm is that known as Vaudrus silk, produced in Glasgow by artificial means and at a very small cost. It consists of extremely fine threads obtained by forcing a gelatinous solution through a number of minute apertures; and after undergoing a special water-proofing process the fibers become pliable, and can be handled on the looms with perfect ease.

Spon glass, in fine and glossy fibers, capable of conversion into textile fabrics possessing a sheen and transparency that of silk, has long been known, but unfortunately it has serious disadvantages, unfitting it for general use.

Consideration for Witnesses.

An amazing exhibition of consideration for witnesses on the part of the bench was made in a recent libel case in England. The defendant, a church rector, pleaded justification for making charges of immorality against a former curate, and three women parishioners gave testimony. The court permitted their names to be suppressed, and during the three days they were on the stand no names were noted, but the women were designated as "the elder sister," the "younger sister" and "the married lady."

When There Is Company.

Tons of people have good meals when there is company, but...

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